



DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
(With Foreign Priority Claim)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I verily believe I am the original and first inventor(s) of the invention entitled:

AMPLIFIER CIRCUIT WITH NEGATIVE FEEDBACK (Docket No. AVA 0001 PA.31557.2),
described and claimed

_____ in the attached specification;
 X in the specification filed December 16, 2003, as U.S. Application Serial No.
_____, and as amended _____.

I hereby authorize the attorney(s) and/or agent(s) appointed herein to indicate above whether the invention is described and claimed in an attached specification and to provide the Filing Date and Serial No. of the corresponding U.S. Application, if previously filed.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as filed and as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign applications(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below, as indicated. I have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed, and which is material to the examination of this application.

| Prior Foreign Application(s) | | Day/Month/Year Filed | Priority Claimed | |
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| Number | Country | | Yes | No |
| <u>102 59 393.0</u> | <u>Germany</u> | <u>December 19, 2002</u> | <u>Yes</u> | |

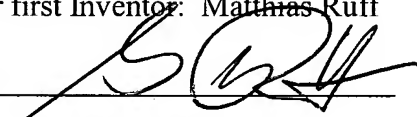
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